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CDC Says Seniors Should Get Another COVID Booster, But Public Skeptical of Vaccine's Efficacy

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention on Wednesday recommended an extra COVID-19 booster for seniors over 65 after its expert panel sparred over making it optional. Experts are wary of public "vaccine fatigue" with only 13% of children and 22% of adults getting the boosters in 2023.

By John-Michael Dumais

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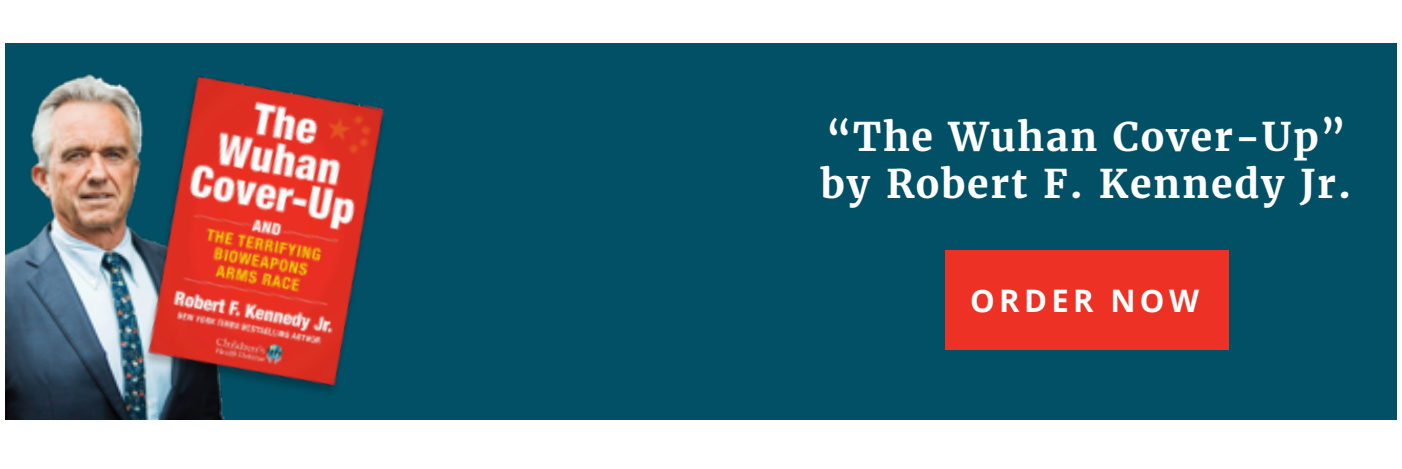
The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) on Wednesday endorsed a recommendation that adults 65 and older get an extra dose of the updated 2023-2024 COVID-19 vaccine.

The CDC Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) recommended the additional dose for seniors, acknowledging their increased risk of severe outcomes from COVID-19 infection.

CDC Director Mandy Cohen said the recommendation allows older adults to "receive an additional dose of this season's COVID-19 vaccine to provide added protection."

She cited statistics showing that over half of COVID-19 hospitalizations late last year were among adults 65 and older, who also accounted for most deaths.

According to the CDC, the extra vaccine dose will restore protection that may have waned in older adults "at highest risk" since the previous fall booster shots.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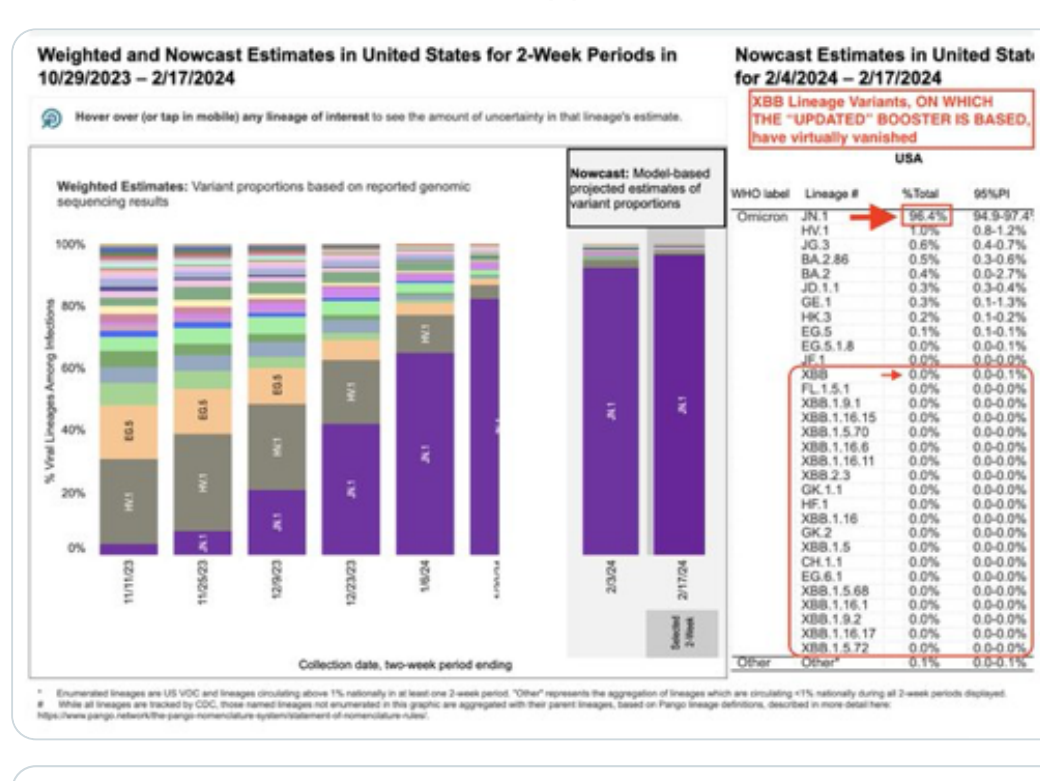
The U.S. Food and Drug Administration in September recommended the "updated" COVID-19 vaccine targeting the XBB.1.5 strain for everyone 6 months and older.

Yet as one user on X (formerly known as Twitter) pointed out, the XBB.1.5 strain is now rarely found in circulation:

Don Wolt @tlowdon · Follow

The CDC recommended today that everyone ≥65 get an additional dose of the updated 2023-24 COVID booster which "targets the XBB lineage of the Omicron variant." Yet the CDC's own prevalence data shows that the XBB lineage had, as of mid Feb, all but disappeared from circulation.



CDC @CDCgov

CDC recommends adults ages 65 years and over receive an additional updated 2023-2024 #COVID19 vaccine dose, which can provide more protection to older adults, who are at highest risk of severe illness due to COVID-19.

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The CDC on Feb. 23 issued an update on the changing threat of COVID-19, noting that while hospitalizations and deaths from COVID-19 were decreasing, "risks continue to be higher for older adults, infants and people with pre-existing medical conditions."

"CDC recommends that everyone aged 6 months and older get an updated 2023-2024 COVID-19 vaccine," the update stated — including "pregnant people … at any time during pregnancy."

Vaccine fatigue clouds new booster guidance

The CDC's move to endorse another COVID-19 vaccine booster for seniors comes amid intensifying "vaccine fatigue" among the public and medical experts.

According to The Associated Press, the ACIP committee engaged in a "lengthy discussion about whether to say older people 'may' get the shots or if they 'should' do so," reflecting an ongoing debate about the necessity of additional boosters.

Some advisory panel members pushed for the more forceful "should" language to prod doctors into actively recommending the extra shot.

However, other doctors argued protection from the 2023 updated boosters has not significantly declined, citing recent studies that found no substantial waning immunity over six months post-booster.

COVID-19 vaccine uptake has steadily dropped with each offering, AP reported, citing CDC statistics showing only about "13% of U.S. children have gotten the shots and about 22% of U.S. adults" have received the updated booster. Vaccination rates reached just 42% among seniors 65 and older.

"People are tired of getting all these shots all the time," Dr. David Canaday, a Case Western Reserve University infectious diseases expert who studies COVID-19 in older people, told AP. "We have to be careful about over-recommending the vaccine."

CDC survey data show the public's biggest concern is whether the shots will be effective, according to AP.

Fauci paper affirms limitations of mRNA vaccines

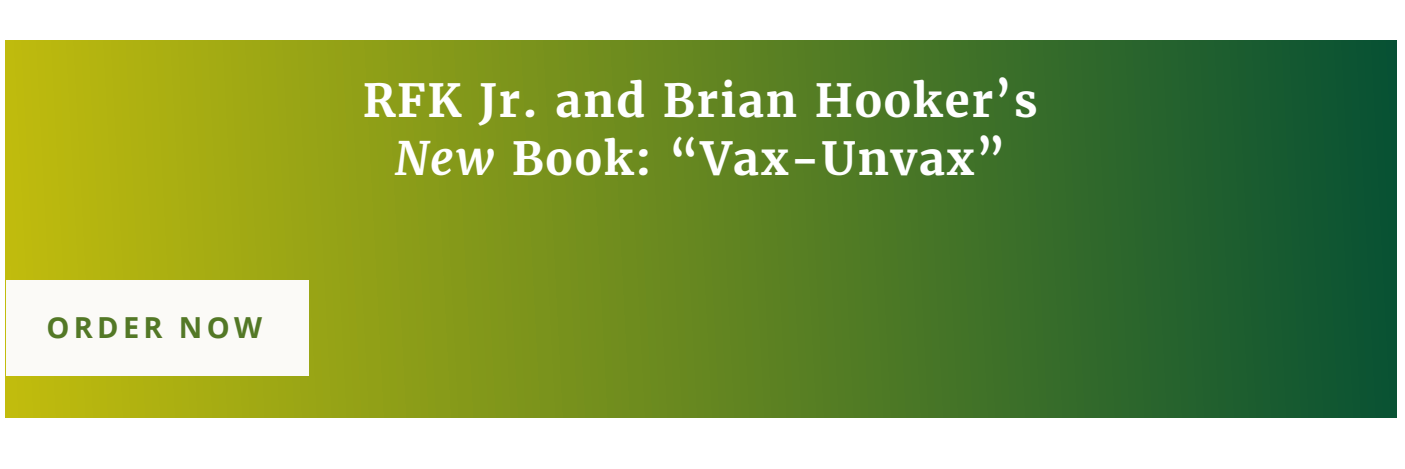
Amid the debate over appropriate COVID-19 booster recommendations, James Lyons-Weiler, Ph.D., in an article published on his Substack today, cited a paper by Dr. Anthony Fauci and colleagues that renewed questions about the fundamental limitations of mRNA vaccines against respiratory pathogens.

Published in January 2023, the paper highlighted the ongoing challenges of developing effective and long-lasting respiratory virus vaccines.

The authors stated, "The limitations of influenza and SARS-CoV-2 vaccines remind us that candidate vaccines for most other respiratory viruses have to date been insufficiently protective for consideration of licensure."

"Vaccines have failed against respiratory viruses," Lyons-Weiler wrote, paraphrasing the authors' admission. "Pardon me while I pick up my jaw from the floor."

The paper noted such viruses spread swiftly after initial lung infection, often before the body's immune defenses fully respond. They transmit through the mucosa rather than triggering full-blown immune responses.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The viruses also have evolved strategies to moderately infect without causing immune system overreactions.

Fauci and co-authors pointed to knowledge gaps around tissue-specific and mucosal responses, immunologic memory, managing mutation-prone viruses like influenza and coronaviruses, and tailoring vaccines to diverse risk groups.

Lyons-Weiler suggested mRNA technology likely falls short if:

- Eliciting mucosal immunity is vital, yet current vaccines only induce systemic immune responses.
- Durability concerns demand frequent boosters.
- "Original antigenic sin" caused by prior vaccines compromises immune responses to later strains.

"According to Fauci, vaccines that focus on systemic immunity do not fully address the unique requirements for combating respiratory viruses," he wrote.

"Where were these concerns prior to 2020? Why did policy not reflect this reality?" Lyons-Weiler asked.

Lyons-Weiler lamented that Fauci's paper failed to cite his or other scientists' papers warning that "spike-only vaccination would yield temporary, shallow [and] misfocused immunity."

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Clare Goldsberry
2 months ago
Asking seniors over 65 to get an extra dose, eh? Gee, I guess we're not dying fast enough. With all the deaths and disabilities of the 18-45 year olds the SS money may run out faster than the gov't planned. Time for all of us over 65 to get "boosted" to get us out of the way. Sorry, I've never believed the government or the CDC/FDA/NIH etc. cared a whit about me or my family. We're passing on all vaccines -- forever!!
41 0 Reply

Lillith → Clare Goldsberry
2 months ago
that's why they're going to spray it from the air and put it in the food. They're determined to try and get us one way or another. Bastards!
12 0 Reply

tag → Clare Goldsberry
2 months ago
Yes. The paying out of our money, AKA SS is really pissing them off.
9 0 Reply

GarySummers → tag
2 months ago edited
'BINGO"
Plus they need it for the "Open Borders Invaders"! #SSI, Single and Married, Refugee Status? lol

When the #SSA Offices were closed during Covid, the only ones that could get a
Walk In Office Appointment, (Refugee Status). Are #SSA Offices back Open? or only Part-Time for regular Americans? Been told only Part-Time.
4 0 Reply

GarySummers → Clare Goldsberry
2 months ago
Sharing Is Caring
Keep the Social Security Checks Numbers Down? #SSA going Broke?

"#10 MM Plus Killed"! 'Its a Secret, and Censorship is In Vogue!'
Carlson asked: "How can "world governments kill more than 10 million people" and leave some large undetermined number disabled for life -- and not say a word about it? Not apologize? Not work to fix it? Not work to make the families whole? I mean, just leave it by the side of the road like a corpse and keep marching? I don't understand that. How can that happen?"

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1 0 Reply

1555 → GarySummers
2 months ago
They know IF they say anything about this (a willful genocide) the lawsuits would never end. So they pretend
all is well. BUT Karma is a Bitch.
0 0 Reply

1555 → Clare Goldsberry
2 months ago
So are we, and we are plannig to work. Unvaxxed, and healthy.
0 0 Reply

BarbaraCharis
2 months ago
No VAX is a Good VAX! The CDC is a less than credible...it's a self serving group out to get royalties on patents ...while being supported by American taxpayers. There are a number of things that say fraud about this organization; particularly when it does nothing about stoppping a disease creating lab in Reedley, CA. What has it done to benefit the taxpayers that pay its salaries?
31 0 Reply

lakewoodsteve → BarbaraCharis
2 months ago
@Barbara; I'm thinking sinful/ fraudulent iatrogenic "medicine" is a epidemic! Just off the top of my head, "medicine" killed 500 million with Pharma's Fort Riley Kansas recently jabbed patient zero's [cough] Spanish Flu! Then the millions killed with "medicine's" patented/ Gain of Function Co-V 19 money maker, on top of the "normal" *12.5 to *40 million iatrogenic deaths in just the last 50 years! (Not counting "medicine's" 60 million murdered babies!!!) (* see the Johns Hopkins iatrogenic study & Dr. Null's book, *Death by Medicine.) Then see Romans 6:23's, "Death is the wages of sin." & put two & two together! God help US.
2 0 Reply

Grandmax4ever → lakewoodsteve
2 months ago
@lakewoodsteve - nevermind the last 50 years of iatrogenic deaths … every year prior to 2020 saw an increase in our US life expectancy. In August 2022, provisional life expectancy estimates for 2021 were released showing Americans had lost nearly three years of life expectancy during 2020 and 2021. I personally know of no one who died from Covid but I personally know 4 who died suddenly after taking the jab. I know another dozen in the past two years who are either fighting or died after being diagnosed with turbo cancers. You won't convince me the Covid jabs had nothing to do with it. Yes, God help us all 🙏🏼
0 0 Reply

1555 → BarbaraCharis
2 months ago
CDC makes $ 4 billion yearly from selling vaccines...your see the link? They are a vaccine marketing company, not a defender of our health.
0 0 Reply

Grandmax4ever
2 months ago
With all the fear mongering in the beginning, I was scared, too. But knowledge is power so I did my research. I am 76 y/o, after what I read, I refused to get vaxx'd, wearing a mask only when I got yelled at, and did not shelter in place or practice social distancing. When I finally managed to test positive for Covid. My symptoms never went beyond a scratchy throat - a walk in the park really. The same can be said for my unvaxx'd 74 y/o sister and unvaxx'd 100 y/o mom who has multiple comorbidities.

My twice jabbed husband tested positive again a couple of months ago and I never isolated from him, hoping to upgrade my immune system but I never tested positive. My infection acquired natural immunity is still going strong.
29 0 Reply

Junkgrl → Grandmax4ever
2 months ago
Same. I'm 76 this year. A mild cold Covid right before jabs. I didn't test but got antibody test 8 mos later. I was never frightened until the vax crazy started and I was being abused for not getting them. I could see where this all could go and the amount of lying and propaganda going on. The people who turned on me with nasty words and shunning was shocking. Later after lockdowns I rarely wore a mask as well. I refuse all jabs now. My husband got one JNJ and no more covid cootie shots. No more flu ones either. The first thing I did do was pump my own immune system up, get outside and socialize as we were able.
10 0 Reply

Grandmax4ever → Junkgrl
2 months ago
I hear you! The discrimination faced was insane. Being Asian, I've had non-Asians who actually chose to walk around parked cars to avoid me. I took 10K IU's of vitamin D daily and was upfront with all my friends (all vaxx'd!) about my unvaxx'd status and quite a few avoided me for 2 years. Their fear of Covid has subsided but a few still wear masks when they leave their house. I stopped getting flu shots after I retired 15 years ago. The flu I caught a decade ago was worse than Covid but with my infection acquired natural immunity, I have remained subsequently flu free. Blessings to you 🙏🏼
7 0 Reply

1555 → Junkgrl
2 months ago
I never felt drawn to the people outside of Walgreens and Walmart waving and smiling:"Get your flu shot".

Never got one, never get the flu. Was not sick for almost 30 years. Two older people I knew (70plus) some years ago, who were NEVER sick in their lives, got light sniffles after docs talked the 'old & vulnerable" . Both knew there was a direct connection, and both said "Never getting this s** again". And they didn't kept being healthy. No meds, not illnesses.
0 0 Reply

1555 → Grandmax4ever
2 months ago
Testing positive means absolutely nothing. Doctors know at least 46% false positive results.
0 0 Reply

Grandmax4ever → 1555
2 months ago
LOL Whatever it was I tested positive for a few years back has given me natural immunity to whatever I had because I never tested positive for anything again - And … at 76 y/o, I am considered in the vulnerable group for Covid 😉
1 0 Reply

1555 → Grandmax4ever
a month ago
Well yes. You have a good immune system, wise sound mind. The vulnerable group was targeted as a "cash cow", just like they are targeted during yearly "Get your flu shot now" at shops for the past 30 plus years. I saw 2 family members in their early 70s suddenly sniffling, asked are they sick? "Nah, my doctor told me I am getting old and vulnerable, should get a flu shot. Never taking that junk again"...both of them said.

Neither of these people were EVER sick a day in their lives. That told me to never take interest in the flu shot either.
Never had, and NEVER have the flu. Go figure.
0 0 Reply

Christine Jahnig
2 months ago
FORGET IT! They didn't fool me the first time around. They aren't fooling me now.
21 0 Reply

Susan Boyce
2 months ago
I guess they haven't gotten the numbers of senior deaths as they would have hoped for, so pushing yet another might work for those jabbed 8x already. ……..
21 0 Reply

tony
2 months ago
Uh-huh… what could go wrong? Line up for your vaxxecution seniors! We've stolen your soc sec & Medicare so we need to drastically reduce our long term unfunded liabilities !! Help us out !
19 0 Reply

CreoleGumbo → tony
2 months ago
Correct.
This should have been obvious to the world when they "prioritized" the shot for those over 65. The very group that was NOT included in the bogus trials. Then they sent "recovering" Covid patients to the nursing homes to make sure they got whatever it was
AND for the icing on the cake they locked them in and locked relatives out to prevent them from seeing the malpractice and cruelty.
12 0 Reply

tony → CreoleGumbo
2 months ago
EXACTLY SIR 👍 Common sense is no longer common. We live in a world of blissful ignorance
5 0 Reply

steelj → tony
2 months ago
It's never been common. The vast majority of the citizenry has always been easily mobilized by the elites of the time to do whatever the elites want them to do, cutting the public's own throat. What's amazing is the 250-year run that's coming to an end. How did that happen when most people are such stupid sheep? That's the question, and then how to manipulate the sheeple to support GOOD ideas again. A Christian revival is probably part of the answer, and no, I'm not religious, just observant.
1 0 Reply

1555 → tony
2 months ago
Meanwhile Congress that has been sucking out of that DESIGNATED fund for wars, and more, did not have a mandate- strange? Not succeptible?
0 0 Reply

Cozmik
2 months ago edited
They must think people are stupid, but when are they all going to be arrested for this massive crime?
It's taking way too long as the deaths pile up.
Is genocide not a crime any more?
17 0 Reply

Corey → Cozmik
2 months ago
People ARE stupid.
3 0 Reply

GarySummers → Corey
2 months ago
A Classic was you cannot get Covid during the Riots, Summer of Peace 2020, but you could get it in a Church, or Restaurant until you sat down to Eat. lol

Plus when Congress, and the Supreme Court, Illegals, Post Office, were exempt from the Jab Mandates. lol
1 0 Reply

ME MCC → GarySummers
2 months ago
Unfortunately, they are still requiring the pages working for Congress still are required to get them...
0 0 Reply

CreoleGumbo → Cozmik
2 months ago
If government does it under the umbrella of an official agency I guess it is not. And unfortunately it seems as if there is no person or other agency with the authority to do anything about it.
0 0 Reply

lakewoodsteve → CreoleGumbo
2 months ago
That doesn't over wright God given, Creator inspired constitutional Rights, no matter what Godless "Good of the people" sham they claim!
0 0 Reply

Billy Jack
2 months ago
Anthony Fauci = Josef Mengele.... mass murderers whose weapons were government sanctioned medical experiments on their victims.
16 0 Reply

tony → Billy Jack
2 months ago
Agreed. Maybe I missed it but I haven't seen him indicted yet. So obviously corrupt. These are sad days watching our once great nation being taken over by Marxist.
5 0 Reply

lakewoodsteve → tony
2 months ago
Don't forget to give Satan some credit! It's what we deserve for dumping "Our Creators" guidance, for Satan's "If it feels good do it, wisdom."
2 0 Reply

lakewoodsteve → Billy Jack
2 months ago
I.E. the history of Nazi IG Farben & Bayer's patent medicine, that gave us the Holocaust and sponsoring WW2! (To sell war assets) (According to Nuremberg trial #6 prosecutor!)
1 0 Reply

dbj3
2 months ago
PLEASE NO MORE JABS OF ANY KIND FOR ANYONE! 🙏🙏
15 0 Reply

Denise Baker
2 months ago
Imagine people being skeptical of yet another booster. Hilarious
13 0 Reply

tag → Denise Baker
2 months ago
Watch out! The "disease X" booigie man is coming! You know, that "virus they know nothing about but miraculously already have a vax for that! I might be a senior but I ain't brain dead. How stupid do they think we are?
7 0 Reply

lakewoodsteve → tag
2 months ago
As long as "disease X" doesn't increase evil carbon emissions, those glutenous plants big out on, [at our expense,] we [may] be Okay!
0 0 Reply

lakewoodsteve → Denise Baker
2 months ago
It's the product of years of Godless Leftists' Dumb Down "education"! (I.e. "To make cogs to support the industrial complex." As John Gatto's book [of the same name] points out!
Also explained in the movie 1984!
0 0 Reply

r2bzjudge
2 months ago
"CDC survey data show the public's biggest concern is whether the shots will be effective, according to AP."

My biggest concern was always safety. There was no factual information on safety when the shots came out. Just a marketing slogan. As it turned out, lack of safety was being covered up and still is. Unfortunately each individual has to figure out on their own, that the Covid shot is not safe. The public health agencies are not going to warn the public of the danger.
12 0 Reply

lakewoodsteve → r2bzjudge
2 months ago
You left out that the experimental clot shot jabs also, don't work!
2 0 Reply

Sandburners
2 months ago
Sounds like they want to sell more vaccines & clean out the nursing homes all in one swoop!
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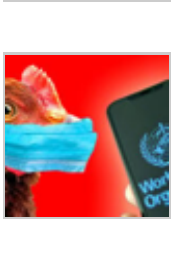
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L **lakewoodsteve** ➦ Sandburners
2 months ago

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Jan Davis
2 months ago

The CDC needs to survey again, "CDC survey data show the public's biggest concern is whether the shots will be effective, according to AP." Every informed senior I know is concerned about potential adverse effects including but not limited to compromised immune system that results in turbo CA, shingles, all manner of auto immune disease, clotting disorders, e.g heart attacks and strokes, pericarditis. As Mrs. Reagan said, "Just say no."

11 0 Reply

T **tony** ➦ Jan Davis
2 months ago

The key word in your statement is “informed.” I too am a senior and yet almost all the other seniors I know are in denial and trust the government and their cia driven main stream media. Sad

2 0 Reply

L **lakewoodsteve** ➦ tony
2 months ago

“Informed” only applies to TV & print ads! Otherwise the snake oil pimps can only parrot, "It's safe & effective." (Or lose their licence) Satan wouldn't have it any other way!

2 0 Reply

S **Someone**
2 months ago

“Where were these concerns prior to 2020? Why did policy not reflect this reality?” Lyons-Weiler asked.

In 2020 Fauci only cared about spreading propaganda. Now he's focused on getting out of the hole he dug for himself in the process.

11 0 Reply

Monique Lukens
2 months ago

Disgraceful. Ashamed and appalled at "the scientists," who push this.

11 0 Reply

K **Kathy Trottier**
2 months ago

Haven't gotten my initial jabs to begin with and don't plan too. Get your self some ivermectin and call it a day.

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